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Dr. Joshua Lederberg
c/o THE WASHINGTON POST
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Lederberg:

In your December 14, 1968, column in the WASHINGTON POST, you made some statements of great importance and of interest to us concerning the growth of viruses in large amounts on tissue cells in culture giving a precision and reproducibility that can scarcely be expected from tissues freshly harvested from animals or chick embryos. We would appreciate it very much if you could direct us to any documents which describe this work and its application.

Sincerely,

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The enclosed article by Dr. Hayflick may give you a point of entry. You might also wish to communicate directly with him.

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P.S. If you mean to go into this game, see also Norman Anderson's work on the zonal centrifuge (Nat. Cancer Institute Monograph #21) 1962

Let me know how you fare!